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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING

The present invention and its presently preferred embodiments will be better understood by way of reference to the detailed disclosure hereinbelow and to the accompanying drawings, wherein:

- 5 Fig. 1 Diagram giving suggested method of wrapping the casket

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF INVENTION

10 This invention overcomes problems associated with the entombment of caskets in aboveground mausoleum crypts. This invention provides protection for the Mausoleum crypt chamber, adjacent chambers, crypt fronts, the building on the whole and any persons visiting the building from contact with any fluids that may escape from caskets due to decomposition of material within the casket. This Mausoleum crypt protector also protects from any phorid fly infestations. This is accomplished by shrink wrapping the casket to be entombed with a plastic, then sealing the wrapped plastic with shrink wrap tape and providing two way ventilation by
15 placing a ventilation filter that is impenetrable to the phorid fly. This allows for evaporation of any liquid that may seep from the casket. This wrapping takes place on a tray that is then used to transport the wrapped casket into a crypt without damaging the wrap. This wrap may be transparent, which transparency aids in casket identification.

20 A shrink-wrap casket shield is provided for enclosing caskets within a barrier that is impenetrable to crypt gnats (Phorid Flies). The invention involves enclosing a casket within a shrink-wrap plastic enclosure that is sealed except for a ventilation port that permits air to flow into and out of the enclosure through a screen that is impenetrable to crypt gnats.

25 The shrink-wrap casket shield differs from U.S. Patent No. 4,922,590 ("Yearsley") in that the casket is not hermetically sealed within the shrink-wrap casket shield. Yearsley is directed to hermetically sealing the casket within an enclosure. In contrast, the present invention is based on the theory that a practical casket enclosure system preferably allows air to be able to continuously flow in either direction into and out of the casket enclosure with the proviso that means are provided for adequately assuring that the casket shield is impenetrable to crypt gnats.

30 For this purpose, as an illustrative embodiment of the invention, the casket may be wrapped in a sheet of plastic such as used for shrink wrapping boats for winter storage. Such